Violation of FERA by Chairman, Bombay Dyeing

306. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1619 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th March, 1989 and state :

(a) whether the stay order obtained from the Bombay High Court by the Chairman, Bombay Dyeing against the adjudication proceedings initiated against him by the Directorate of Enforcement has since been vacated ; and

(b) what is the present position of the case and by when the proceedings are likely to be completed.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GA-DHVI) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Can not be predicted in view of (a) above.

Non-Payment of Customs Duty on News Print by Indian Express Group

307. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have examined the Report of the Company Law Board submitted in 1987 regarding financial irregularities and non-payment of customs duty on newsprint and other items by the Indian Express Private Limited ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(c) what action is being taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA) : (a) to (c) The extract of the Inspection carried out under Section 209-A of the Companies Act, 1956 in respect of Indian Express Newspapers Pvt. Ltd., Bombay has been examined. It has been verified that M/s Indian Express were paying duty on their imported newsprint in terms of an Interim order dated 2-6-1981 of the Supreme Court till the final orders were passed by the Court, on 6-12-1984.

As a result of the Supreme Court's final order, and consequent fixation of duty at Rs. 550 per M.T. with effect from 1-3-1981, an amount of Rs. 87.64 lakhs has been recovered from the Company.

Suggestions for Modification of Tax Laws by ASSOCHAM for Promotion of Family Planning

308. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE : SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry has called for suitable modifications in tax-laws to promote family planning by involving corporate sector;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Ind ia